

MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR MENTORSHIPS

Mentorships are an important part of our training program. Each mentor will offer something a little different to you. In choosing a mentor be sure to ask some questions:

What do you charge?

How many horses will we be working on?

Any particularly interesting cases? Founder?

Should I bring lunch?

Will I need all my tools? (if you are flying you may be able to borrow)

How many students will be at the mentorship?

Be sure to let your Mentor know what areas you feel you need help with. If you have a particular interest, say fitting boots or casting, let them know ahead of time.

Some mentors like to work with 2 or 3 students at a time. This is more likely to happen when mentorships occur before or after a clinic, with the clinician. There can be advantages to this. Although you share the time, you often learn from others questions as well.

I would urge you to work with as many different mentors as you can. You will learn something different from each person. Be respectful and open minded. Our mentors spend this extra time and energy out of their very busy schedules, because they love to share knowledge and contribute to the talented barefoot trimmers you are becoming!